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MEETINGS: Sept. 10 - 8pm Sharp

JERRY CLARK Supervising Biologist with the California State Agricultural Commission recently of the San Jose office, now in Fresno Office will talk, with illustrated slides on

"VERTEBRATE CONTROLS" (Starlings, Other Birds and Animals)

With him will be Harry McCracken, County Agr. Commissioner, and Charles Andresen, Field Biologist of the County Office. Your questions will be welcomed.

LOCATION: Second Floor Lab in DARWIN HALL-SONOMA STATE COLLEGE.

PARKING: Tear off and use the last sheet of this "Kite Tales" to park in the non-reserved parking area, nearest Cotati Avenue Entrance. Place it in your car where it can be seen, or under wiper.

SPALDING MEMORIAL:

Jean Spalding, widow of Eric Spalding, our Second President, 1963-64 now lives in Walnut Creek. She will be with us, as we show slides of the Spalding Memorial Panels in the exhibits at Audubon Canyon Ranch, Bolinas Lagoon. RROS used all its Spalding Memorial Funds in this project. She will be made an Honorary Member of RROS.

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MEETINGS: Mark your calendar on the SECOND THURSDAYS for October 8 the when a Program on the Galapagos is tentatively scheduled, for Nov. 12th when Alice Ackley of St. Helena will bring her up to date slides collection of birds and flowers. She was with us in one of our best programs over two years ago, and she has been at this collection ever since. It will be one of our finest programs. Dec. 10, Jan 14, February 11, March 11, April 15 (moved to the week AFTER Easter), May 13. (No meetings Je, Jy, Aug.)

FIELD TRIP: First trip of the fall program will be to LOWER TUBBS ISLAND on Saturday September 19. Meet at the gate (4201 Sears Point Road, Sonoma, Ca 95476) on Highway 37 (which is the Novato, Vallejo Road), at a point just east of Highway 121, (the road off to Sonoma), just east of Toley Creek Bridge. The gate is locked, and the Tubbs Island Nature Conservancy buildings are 3 miles from the gate. There are no public restrooms.

We will meet at the gate at 9:30 A.M. Since the gate must remain locked it is important that you must get there on time. The tide will be good on this date. There is rich list of marsh, estuary, and water birds which can be seen. Frank Beyer of Vallejo will be our guide. This area is proposed as part of a San Pablo Wildlife Refuge. Sonoma County Supervisors are sitting on the action which would mark the go-ahead for the Refuge. Guests are welcome. Doubling up in cars may be necessary, or a shuttle run from the Highway to the Center.

OTHER FIELD TRIPS: OCTOBER 17 we have scheduled a trip to Tomales Bay, Olema Marsh, Point Reyes Seashore areas, more details next month. NOVEMBER 21-22 SATURDAY AND/OR SUNDAY to Greylodge and Sacramento Wildlife Refuges and game management areas, near Gridley in the Sacramento Valley. This is always a most rewarding trip, more details later.

OFFSHORE FROM BODEGA BAY. We have booked the "Finback" for Sunday October 11th, leaving Tides Wharf at 7 a.m. (back by 1 or 2 p.m.). Price of the boat has gone up and we must have \$10 in advance to hold a place. "Mike" (Dr. Benjamin D.) Parmeter is in charge. Bring your reservation to the meeting or send it to him at 2005 Waverly Street, Napa, Ca 94558 (Telephone (707) 255-6757). Since we have opened applications to Golden Gate Audubon Society in Oct 1st "Gull", you should get your reservation in early. First come-first served. Our October trips have been very rewarding in pelagic birds seen. Cancellation ONLY in case Skipper is told by Coast Guard that it is not safe to go. Bring cold weather gear, lunch, and use anti-motion drugs if you need them.

ALTERNATE OFFSHORE ON SATURDAY Oct. 3 from Monterey Fisherman's Wharf 9 am sponsored by Golden Gate Audubon Society. Send \$7 to GGAS, Mrs Valeria Da Costa, 2090 Pacific Av., San Francisco, Ca 94109, with stamped self addressed envelope, for receipt and information. Also first come, first served, closed Sept 20 or earlier if full-3 boats however.

CHRISTMAS COUNT: SAVE THE DATE SUNDAY DECEMBER 27th for the Santa Rosa Ct. (Western Sonoma County Count Saturday Dec 26, others announced later)

MEMBERSHIP DUES: from May 1970 to May 1971

FAMILY \$4.50; INDIVIDUAL \$3.00; STUDENT (High School to Graduate) \$1.00; and Junior, not covered in a Family- 50 cents. MAKE CHECKS TO R R O S and deliver at the meeting or send to Treasurer MERTON ROBERTS, 1400 Spring Hill Road, PETALUMA CA 94952 (707) 763-7009. Our Treasury needs your support for the year and you are welcome whether as a member or as a guest, but get it in as soon as you can please.

We are affiliated with National Audubon Society, but RROS affiliation does not make individuals members of NAS. We are participants of the Environmental Center, 211 Santa Rosa Av., Santa Rosa, Ca 95401 Tel. 545-2196 Referral calls to RROS and about our concerns are taken at this center. We pay \$25 a year to NAS. We give \$5 a month to Environmental Center. Other support to Point Reyes Bird Observatory, etc. as voted.

SUMMER OBSERVATIONS:

We would like to have several pages of summer observations and invite ALL members to send in their lists with locations, dates and any interesting notes. DON'T HESITATE BECAUSE YOU ARE NOT AN "EXPERT". (An expert is any "spurt" away from home). Send in list of those new or especially interesting to you. Whether you did not leave your yard, or traveled afar, let's make this section a sharing of summer experiences, and this can be an introduction to many personal interchanges at meetings or otherwise. BRING TO THE MEETING SEPTEMBER 10 or MAIL TO

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If it takes more than 6¢, put on the extra postage please. But get it in before you forget it. This is the most difficult job in RRQS-getting members to write their own reports. DO IT NOW.

WILD-LIFE FILMS: Sept. 26, Nov. 21, Feb. 6, Mar. 6

Every year the Community Service Dept of Santa Rosa Junior College sponsors an Audubon Wildlife Film Series in cooperation with Redwood Region Ornithological Society and Madrone Audubon Society. This year it was hoped to have five films, but the narrator of the fifth film went off to Europe and a fifth film could not be booked. The Adult tickets are still 11. The Season Family Ticket \$6. Adult Season \$3, Student .50 and Children .25. Tickets will be available at the Sept 10 meeting, or at the door of Luther Burbank Theatre, SRJC.

Sept 26. Ebin McMillen "Central California's Coastal Plain."

November 21 Walter H. Barlet "The Untamed Olympics"

February 6, 1971 John H. Bulger "Scandinavian Saga"

March 6 "Land of the Drowned River" (Cheepsake Bay)

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TIME SCHEDULE: Note that the PROGRAMS BEGIN AT 8 p.m. sharp. After the programs guests may remain IF THEY WISH for refreshments, observations, any necessary business or announcements, and just general socializing.

Our president really takes charge! This entire issue was handed to me on stencils, ready to run!

So without further 'to-do', other than a "Thanks" to Baran, let's go to press!

G.L.B.